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SUBJECT: PAK/AFGHAN PROPAGANDA

REF: ISLAMABAD 4914; KABUL 3424

1. IN A PRE-DINNER CONVERSATION WITH BHUTTO LAST NIGHT
HE TOLD ME THAT AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED WITH THE
AFGHANS THAT PROPAGANDA CONTAINING PERSONAL ATTACKS ON
NATIONAL LEADERS ON BOTH SIDES WOULD BE STOPPED EFFECTIVE
JUNE 10. IN A TALK THIS MORNING WITH AZIZ AHMED HE
CONFIRMED BHUTTO'S

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RAMARK WHILE INDICATING THAT WAHID

ABDULLAH HAD STATED THEY COULD NOT CEASE WHAT HE CALLED "POLITICAL PROPAGANDA" OTHER THAN THAT WHICH WAS AD HOMINEN IN NATURE. AZIZ ALSO TOLD ME THAT THE AFGHANS HAD REQUESTED THAT THIS UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THEM BE KEPT ABSOLUTELY SECRET AND FOR THAT REASON THE PAKS WERE NOT GOING TO TELL ANYONE BUT ME ABOUT IT IN VIEW OF THE KNOWN INTEREST AND CONCERN IN WASHINGTON OVER THE STATE OF PAK-AFGHAN RELATIONS.

2. I TOLD BOTH BHUTTO AND AZIZ AHMED THAT I ATTACHED
CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN THOUGH
LIMITED, AS IT SEEMED TO REVERSE THE TREND OF RECENT
GENERAL DETERIORATING RELATIONS.

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